

At Last, Pastor is With His King!
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We can hear Steve Edmondson singing, "The King is Coming!"

At his side is Pastor Miller, with tears of joy in his eyes and a sense of, 'Ah, at last'!

All things are clear to him now, with thousands of scriptures playing out before his eyes. And his ears are hearing the heavenly beings rejoicing in the homecoming of a special saint, but with a singular voice above all other voices, speaking the words that make everything worthwhile- "Well done, My faithful Servant, Enter into My joy!"

An echo follows, not just of Our Savior's words, but from thousands of others who were touched by God through Pastor Miller. Echoes from all parts of the world - Cuba, Ecuador, Spain, Israel, Germany, Canada, Switzerland, and Mexico to name a few. "Amen's" will flow from every state in the union, but especially from Florida!

The sights and sounds of the Glory of the Lord honoring a great pastor and a great man.

Back on earth, our hearts are filled with sadness at the loss of a hero. There are so few to follow here. He was a hero in every sense of the word to me and those who served with him. He was a pastor through and through. Caring, loving, giving, teaching, praying, and singing his way into our hearts and leading us to the Source of all joy- Jesus!

"Give Honor to Whom Honor is Due!"

Sometimes pastors struggle to find praiseworthy reflections for those who have departed. There will be no such thing with Pastor Miller! Written testimonials are filling the email and Facebooks of his flock and family. Next Sunday we will offer our tribute to honor Christ and one of his choice servants. All are affirming we are forever grateful for both Pastor and Lorraine Miller. Our very existence is through their willingness to obey the leading of the Holy Spirit and plant our church. So much of them lives on in us now .

We also recognize Bob Miller was a loving husband and dedicated father. He was so proud of all of you! Our hearts go out to Mrs. Miller and each of his beloved sons and their families. You are in our prayers and thanksgivings to God! May you sense our heart felt appreciation and deep respect we have for Pastor.

His memory will remain as an echo in my soul. When I hear the word- 'faithful', I think of pastor. Or 'graceful', I see his kind face. Or 'generous' – he stands before me. Or "pastor", he was the best I knew.

There is so much that can be said, but maybe we should mirror our Lord- "Well done, Pastor Miller!"

From all of us at Southwest Community Church

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